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CONTROL METHOD THEREOF

Art Unit : 2612

Examiner :

**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
AND
STATEMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.97(e)**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

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Submitted herewith are:

- (1) Copy of a communication (Search Report) issued from a foreign patent office in a counterpart International application;
- (2) A copy of the cited USP 4,603,355 (Yamada et al); and
- (3) Form PTO-1449. It is requested that an initialed copy of the Form PTO-1449 be returned to indicate that the publication listed therein has been considered and made of record.

All of the cited publications were cited only under Category A (technological background).

All of the cited publications are in the English language.

Each of the cited publications is considered relevant or material to the patentability of the present invention in view of the citation thereof in said communication and for the reasons stated in said communication.

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

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Dated: December 19, 2000

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Said communication is in English, thereby satisfying the requirements for a concise explanation of relevance.

STATEMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.97(e)(1)

The undersigned hereby states that each item of information contained in this Information Disclosure Statement was cited in said Communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of the present Information Disclosure Statement: said Communication bears a mailing date of November 29, 2000.

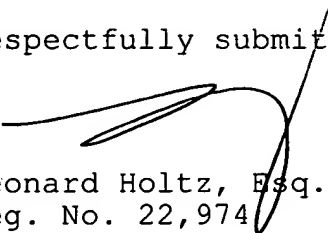
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Applicants state that each item of information contained in the present Information Disclosure Statement was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart application and that this communication was not received by any individual designated in 37 CFR 1.56(c) more than 30 days prior to the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement. The International Search Report is dated November 29, 2000.

A copy of USP 5,461,419 (Yamada) is not submitted herewith since a copy thereof was already filed with the Information Disclosure Statement filed August 15, 2000, concurrently with the filing of the original application papers. Also, USP 5,461,419 (Yamada) is not listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 since it is already listed in the Form PTO-1449 filed August 15, 2000.

It is respectfully requested that the Examiner act on the Information Disclosure Statement filed August 15, 2000, and on the present Information Disclosure Statement, and return initialed copies of the Forms PTO-1449 to confirm that the publications listed thereon have all been considered and made "of record".

Respectfully submitted,



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